

# News from Congressman Pat Toomey

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## **Statement by Rep. Toomey in Response to The President's 2004 Budget**

Washington, D.C. — Rep. Pat Toomey (R-PA) issued the following statement today in response to the release of President Bush's budget for Fiscal Year 2004:

“After a decade of excessive growth in government spending, I am encouraged that we finally have a President who understands the importance of restraining spending.

“However, I think that the President's budget should be a ceiling on spending not a floor. Congress should use the President's budget as a starting point and ensure that total federal spending does not grow any faster than the economy as a whole. Since defense and homeland security spending requires greater growth, the rest of the budget needs further restraint.”

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